# CITY COUNCIL MINUTES March 9, 2015

The Honorable Council of the City of Evansville met on regular session at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 9, 2015 in the City Council Chambers, Room 301 Civic Center Complex, Evansville, Indiana, with President H. Dan Adams presiding. The following business was conducted.

These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript. Audiotapes of this meeting are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

**President Adams**: The Honorable Council of the City Of Evansville is hereby called to order. Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Mosby, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

Absent: McGinn

**President Adams**: There being eight (8) members present and one (1) member absent, and eight members represent a quorum, therefore I declare the session of the Common Council officially opened.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Councilwoman Mosby, would you lead us tonight?

#### **RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS**

Okay, do we have any high school students here with us? If you need...great. If you need something signed at the end of the session, please come up. We'll be glad to sign it for you.

## **COUNCIL ATTORNEY**

Scott Danks is our City Council Attorney tonight.

#### **SERGEANT AT ARMS**

Officer Doane, thank you for joining us.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Is there a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9 and 23, 2015 meetings of the Common Council as written?

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

**President Adams**: Second? Is there...?

Councilwoman Mosby: Second.

**President Adams**: Thank you. There is a motion and a second. All those in favor? Against? So moved.

Reports and Communications.

## **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

## IN YOUR MARCH 6th PACKET:

- \* Ordinances F-2015-3, F-2015-4, G-2015-6 and G-2015-7
- \* Evansville Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2015
- \* Area Plan Commission Report and Meeting Minutes dated February 12, 2015

### **EMAILED MATERIAL:**

- \* Committee Meeting Schedule and Agenda for March 9, 2015
- \* City Council Meeting Minutes for February 9 and February 23, 2015
- \* Good Deeds Article from March 2015 from Z Tuley concerning Chief Deputy Recorder Shannon Edwards
- \* Applications for the Commission on the Social Status of African American Males
- \* Corrected tax code for R-2015-2

## ON YOUR DESK THIS EVENING:

- \* Extended Agenda
- \* 2014 Annual Financial Report
- \* Ordinance G-2015-8

**President Adams**: Is there a motion to receive, file and make these reports and communications a part of the minutes of the meeting?

**Councilman Lindsey**: So moved.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

**President Adams**: Okay, we have a motion and a second. All those in favor please?

Opposed? So forth.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

## FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

## ORDINANCE G-2015-6 FINANCE McGINN

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.10 (Required Filing of Fiscal Impact Statement) of the Evansville Municipal Code

## ORDINANCE G-2015-7 PUBLIC WORKS O'DANIEL

An Ordinance to Permit Imposition of Debt Service Surcharge on Former Customers of Old State Utility

## **ORDINANCE F-2015-3**

**FINANCE** 

O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations, Additional Appropriations and Repeal and Re-Appropriation of Funds for Various City Funds

## ORDINANCE F-2015-4

**FINANCE** 

O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Repeals, Re-Appropriations and Additional Appropriations of Funds within Various Departments (DMD)

## **ORDINANCE R-2015-3**

**APC** 

R-4 to C-4

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 922 W. Illinois St. and 917 W. & 907 W. Indiana St.

Petitioner:

FH5 Properties, LLC & Keith J. Stewart FH5 Properties, LLC & Keith J. Stewart

Owners: Representative:

Jim Morley, Morley and Associates, Inc.

District:

Al Lindsey, Ward 6

## **ORDINANCE** R-2015-4

APC

R-1 to C-2 w/ UDC

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 926 S. Cullen Ave.

Petitioner:

John F. Maier

Owners:

John F. & Martha E. Maier

Representative:

Jim Morley, Morley and Associates, Inc.

District:

Dan McGinn, Ward 1

#### ORDINANCE R-2015-5

APC

R-2 & R-4 to C-2 w/ UDC

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 1500-1514 and 1600-1614 John St.

Petitioner:

University of Evansville

Owners:

Same

Representative:

Bruce Breeden, Telamon Corporation

**President Adams**: Is there a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as written?

District:

Missy Mosby, Ward 2

Councilwoman Mosby: So moved.

Councilwoman Robinson: Second.

**President Adams**: We have a motion and a second. All those in favor? All those

opposed? So pass.

Therefore, we are going to have a suspension of the rules, or at least have a motion to see. Is there is motion to suspend the rules to hear Ordinance F-2015-4 on all three readings this evening.

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: Second.

**President Adams**: There is a move and a second...a motion and a second. Roll call, please. Oh, excuse me.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: And I...just the reason to do so is because there's some grants or...that needs to be done and applied for by the 12<sup>th</sup>, which is before our next meeting...

Councilman Friend: Right.

**Councilman O'Daniel**:...and it just came to our attention that it had to be done by then. Correct?

Councilwoman Robinson: Correct.

**President Adams**: Some funding issues?

**Councilwoman Robinson**: Yeah, funding for a grant application.

President Adams: Right. Roll call please.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**Ayes:** Mosby, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

**Absent:** McGinn

**President Adams**: It'll be eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays. Ordinance F-2015-4 will be heard on all three readings this evening.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

## **SECOND READING OF ZONING ORDINANCES**

## ORDINANCE R-2014-25 AMENDED APC

C-4 to R-1

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 600 Christ Road

Petitioner:

Level Development, LLC

This petition comes forward with a recommendation for approval from the Area Plan Commission, having 11 affirmative votes.

## **ORDINANCE R-2014-29**

APC

R-1 to C-1

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 4301 Broadway

Petitioner:

New Bethel Southern Baptist Church, Inc.

This petition comes forward with a recommendation for approval from the Area Plan Commission, having 11 affirmative votes.

**President Adams**: Is there a motion to accept the amendment for Ordinance R-2014-25 Amended?

Councilman O'Daniel: So moved.

Councilwoman Mosby: Second.

**President Adams**: Thank you. A motion and a second; all those in favor? All those opposed? So ordered.

**President Adams**: Is there a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda Second Reading of Zoning Ordinances and to accept the Area Plan Commission Report?

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

**President Adams**: We have a motion and a second. All those in favor? Opposed? So moved.

We do have a teen advisory person that dawdled in at a time. Would you identify yourself please?

**Zoe Fisher**: (Off Mic) I'm Zoe Fisher.

President Adams: Into the mic.

Speaking Simultaneously

Councilman Friend: Into the mic. Right. Go ahead, speak in there.

**Zoe Fisher**: I'm Zoe Fisher from North High School.

President Adams: North High School?

Zoe Fisher: Yes.

President Adams: Yeah, okay. Great.

Councilman Friend: Go Huskies.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## THIRD READING OF ZONING ORDINANCES

## ORDINANCE R-2014-25 AMENDED APC

C-4 to R-1

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 600 Christ Road

Petitioner:

Level Development, LLC

**President Adams**: Do we have someone representing this issue...this ordinance? Ah, great. Mr. Buck, join us please. Please state your full name and address please.

Daniel Buck: Daniel Buck.

**President Adams**: Where do you live sir, for the record?

**Daniel Buck**: I'd rather not because I've had threats.

**President Adams**: I'm sorry?

**Council Attorney Danks**: (Off Mic) Business address will be fine.

**President Adams**: I'm sorry?

Councilman O'Daniel: Business address.

**Council Attorney Danks**: (Off Mic) Business address maybe.

**Daniel Buck**: Okay, business address, okay.

**Councilwoman Robinson**: Just give your business address.

Speaking Simultaneously

President Adams: Business address would be fine.

Daniel Buck: P.O. Box 4530, Evansville, Indiana 47724

(Laughter)

President Adams: Thank you, thank you sir. Please, go ahead.

**Daniel Buck**: I'd like to rezone approximately four acres of the old orchard, or part of the old orchard, so we can put in 80-lot addition onto the Orchard subdivision. It's in the purple there. The yellow...the yellow...the red diagram over it is what we're wishing to rezone.

The 80 lots will go into the northside of the present subdivision that we're developing right now. It has two accesses into it when we're done.

**President Adams**: This is part of the progression of the R-1 that was started a couple of years ago. It actually has really turned out quite well.

Any comments from Council? Are there any remonstrators from our visitors tonight? Okay.

**Councilwoman Robinson**: (Off Mic) Motion for a do-pass.

President Adams: Second please?

Councilman Lindsey: Second.

President Adams: Roll call, please.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**Ayes:** Mosby, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

**Absent:** McGinn

**President Adams**: There are eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays, Ordinance R-2014-25 Amended is hereby declared adopted.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

## **THIRD READING OF ZONING ORDINANCES**

## ORDINANCE R-2014-29 APC

R-1 to C-1

An Ordinance to Rezone Certain Real Estate in the City of Evansville, State of Indiana, More Commonly Known as 4301 Broadway

Petitioner:

New Bethel Southern Baptist Church, Inc.

**President Adams**: Do you have a representative please, from...yes, thank you sir.

Kip Husk: Good evening. I'm Kip Husk, 1115 Indy Court, Evansville, Indiana; Husk Signs.

**President Adams**: Do you want to tell us what you're going to do there?

**Kip Husk**: Yes, we are planning on spot-rezoning the sign where the area of the sign is to be able to upgrade to a new electronic sign.

**President Adams**: Okay, great. Any discussion? Any comments from our visitors tonight? Super. Okay, I'll entertain a motion please.

**Councilman Lindsey**: *(Off Mic)* Motion to move forward.

**President Adams**: Second please.

Councilman Weaver: Second.

**President Adams**: We have a motion and a second. Roll call vote, please.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes: Mosby, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

**Absent:** McGinn

President Adams: There being eight (8) ayes and zero (0) nays, Ordinance R-2014-29 is

hereby declared adopted.

Kip Husk: Thank you very much.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

## **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

## ORDINANCE F-2015-4 FINANCE O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Repeals, Re-Appropriations and Additional Appropriations of Funds within Various Departments (DMD)

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

FINANCE COMMITTEE: CHAIRMAN O'DANIEL

**Chairman O'Daniel:** Mister President, we tabled *Ordinance G-2015-1* until April 13.

President Adams: Okay, great.

Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley: (Off Mic) April 13?

President Adams: Yeah.

Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley: (Off Mic) Is that the date you set it to?

Councilman O'Daniel: April 13.

**President Adams**: But you also ... you also reported on 2014.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: *(Off Mic)* That was the one I reported on.

**President Adams**: Huh?

**Councilman O'Daniel**: *(Off Mic)* That was the one I reported on.

**City Clerk Windhorst**: (Off Mic) This one right here was reported on. The other was

held...

**President Adams**: Okay.

**City Clerk Windhorst**: *(Off Mic)* Or the other one was *(Inaudible)* suspended the rules so we didn't have Committee to report.

President Adams: But if we didn't.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: (Off Mic) (Inaudible)

President Adams: Okay, great. All right, Regular Agenda, Third Reading.

**City Clerk Windhorst**: (Off Mic) (Inaudible)

**President Adams**: I can't...

**Councilwoman Robinson**: (Off Mic) Vote to adopt the Committee Reports.

**President Adams**: I see. I'm sorry. I didn't hear him report on it so I....

Councilwoman Robinson: So moved.

Councilman O'Daniel: Second.

**President Adams**: Thank you for helping me through this complex issue. We have a motion and a second. All those in favor please? Okay, let's get to the...

Third Reading, please.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### THIRD READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

## ORDINANCE F-2015-4 FINANCE O'DANIEL

An Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of Evansville Authorizing Repeals, Re-Appropriations and Additional Appropriations of Funds within Various Departments (DMD)

President Adams: Viola.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: This has been the best Council meeting ever. Good evening.

**President Adams**: Well it's my fault. I thought he was going to make a comment about this in saying it came through as a Third...anyway, don't worry about it.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: I see.

**President Adams**: It's my fault.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: That's okay; not a problem, not a problem.

**President Adams**: Talk to us.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: What you have before you, ladies and gentlemen...it looks worse than it is. It looks more complicated than it is. Every year, we presume that our federal funds are going to be cut because every year HUD tells us, "Anticipate cuts", so we do what HUD tells us to do. And for 2015 we got the final number for our 2015 allocations, which will be here August, September, but we didn't get cut in CDBG and we didn't...we actually got more in Emergency Solutions grants than what we anticipated. We did take a small hit in HOME for 2015 so you see some small repeals that we need to do out the 2015 allocations in HOME.

But for CDBG we didn't get cut so what you see in that very complex set of numbers, we are, as we did in 2013, when we didn't get cut in 2014, as we didn't get the cuts, we are restoring all of our agencies to their prior funding levels for 2014 and for 2015 and so we are...we like...it's a good thing.

We have a 15% cap on public service, as you know, so we take our entire CDBG allocation, multiply by 15% and that's what we can do for agencies like Ark Crisis Nursery, Outreach Ministries, the American Red Cross. So those additions that you see are the difference between what you approved for 2015 and what we can now do for 2015 since we have our final number.

The non-public service items that you see are the differences between what we assumed for 2015 and what we're going to get for 2015 so we can put some more additional funding towards the Memorial CDC Youth Employment. We can plow some more money into our neighborhood rehab and to the NRSA program, and then we are also very fortunate to have enough money to really give the Memorial CDC CDFI, Community Federal Credit Union, that Memorial's opening for financial benefit to low to moderate income people who can use that credit union to borrow money, make deposits, and learn financial literacy. So we're very fortunate that we can do that.

You see Emergency Solutions Grants money. We did get more. We anticipated \$175,000; we're going to get around \$206,000 for 2015 and those are funds used for homeless agencies: House of Bread and Peace, Aurora, and then we're able to also fund the housing coordinator piece for the Rental Registry. We have the employee that is a contract employee through Aurora so we're going to be able to fund her for the rest of 2015 from those ESG funds rather than trying to piece that together again, so halleluiah.

The other piece that you see there, and it is a large number I know...

President Adams: Hold on just a second.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: I'm sorry.

President Adams: Are there any comments about that part of this...

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: I go fast but I put people to sleep.

President Adams: Any comments? Any questions on this part?

**Councilwoman Robinson**: No, I met with Kelley last week and went over this with him as a liaison with the DMD so...

President Adams: Great, thank you. All right, please go on.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: The other large number that you see there is a...when I got here a couple years ago, going through the HOME accounts, the HOME grants, building, you know, building affordable housing, my finance deputy, Lisa Angermeier, she and I, we were convinced that there was money left on the table from projects that had been carried out over the last five, six, seven years because we kept seeing these balances in our reporting to HUD. The new HOME Final Rule came out from HUD in 2014 which means funds that you receive in 2015, you must allocate them and use them within seven years or HUD will take them back so what we started trying to do while we were looking for money, we started replacing old money with new money so that we wouldn't lose anything because I never leave money on the table. But through very painstaking work Lisa went through line by line, account by account, project by project, and we were able to find a half a million dollars in money that has not been spent over the last seven years by DMD.

So what you're appropriating tonight, when you see the repeals, you see some repeals: #439050, you see a whole string of repeals, what those are are those old projects. We are taking what was left and what was unappropriated for those old projects and creating a new item for Memorial Villas, which if you would like, Pastor Brooks is here, he can tell you about Memorial Villas. It's a project that I really wanted to try and find a way to support and through my staff's hard work and painstaking forensic accounting, we've been able to ferret out a half a million dollars that we can plow into that project.

But he's here if you want to talk about it. It's a great...it's a great project.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Before, unless somebody has a question, what's the other \$75,000 that was found...where's that going to go? Those have been repealed but there was \$575,000 found. You see what I'm saying?

**Councilwoman Robinson**: *(Off Mic)* Yeah, so you've got \$575,000 but you're only giving *(Mic On)*...you're only giving Memorial \$500,000.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: So where's that other 75?

**Councilwoman Robinson**: 75?

Councilman O'Daniel: That would be on...it's really the last page I guess (Inaudible).

**Councilwoman Robinson**: It's under your HOME grants.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Oh, we have to repeal...we've got cut a in our 2015 HOME so the repeal, that repeal, is simply the reduction that we have in our HOME fund for 2015.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Well there's an additional...there's \$75,000 though that's now going...that has been repealed that has unexpended right now.

**President Adams**: How are you going to use the difference?

**Councilman O'Daniel**: What do you mean? Yeah, I mean \$575,000 was found, \$500,000 is going to this project. There's \$75,000 left. Is that just in cash balance within CD?

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Oh, I'm sorry. Yes, that's a cash balance.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Okay, that's all I needed to know.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: I'm sorry. I...

**President Adams**: And you'll use that on some other project...update it.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Correct.

Councilman O'Daniel: Very well.

President Adams: Any other questions, please, from Council?

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: I just was curious. When you...this is money that was allocated and unspent over the last seven years so does it go back to 2007, 2008?

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Yes.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: Okay.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: But what...we've carried it forward.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: No, I understand the concept of replacing old money.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: I've replaced those old dollars with new dollars, every grant, because it goes by grant cycle year. We go by an annual budget.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: Yes.

DMD Executive Director Coures: You do an annual budget.

Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley: Right.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: HUD goes by grant year; fiscal year. So what I've done over the last couple years is replaced fiscal year 2007 money that is sitting out there with fiscal year 2013 money so that we don't lose that old money, we keep bringing it forward.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: Okay, here's the question. It's sounds like this is just part of doing business. I mean you're running on a different cal...a different 12-month cycle and when we allocate funds for projects they apparently, regularly, aren't completely spent. So moving forward, I know you spent a lot of time analyzing everything to find this \$575,000, are you building something into your regular process to track these annually?

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: We're going to do zero-based every year.

Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley: I...I...

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Zero-based...we're going to strike a zero balance.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: Okay.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: We're going to spend the money that's allocated or we're going to have Council...we'll bring it to Council to reappropriate for something else. It's never going to just sit there again.

Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley: Okay, that's what I was just...

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: That's not going to happen anymore.

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: I wanted to establish that you're just going to keep it from happening again.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: There's a new sheriff in town.

**President Adams**: Any other questions from Council? Any comments, please, from our visitors here tonight?

Okay, I'll entertain a motion.

Councilwoman Robinson: (Off Mic) So moved.

Councilman O'Daniel: (Off Mic) Second.

President Adams: We have a motion and a second. Roll call, please.

## **ROLL CALL:**

**Ayes:** Mosby, Brinkerhoff-Riley, Robinson, Friend, Lindsey, O'Daniel, Weaver, Adams

**Absent:** McGinn

President Adams: There are eight (8) ayes, zero (0) nays, Ordinance F-2015-4 are

hereby adopted.

**DMD Executive Director Coures**: Thank you ladies and gentleman.

Councilman O'Daniel: Thank you very much

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

**President Adams**: There will not be a meeting on Monday, March 16 or March 23, I guess because everybody's on Spring Break or something. The next meeting will be Monday, March 30, 2015 at 5:30 p.m. Committee meetings begin around 5:10 p.m.

## **Boards & Commission Appointments:**

We have one board appointment. I think we're all been given Josh Calhoun, we've seen his résumé. Do you feel comfortable about voting on him tonight? Great.

**Councilwoman Robinson**: I make a motion to accept Josh Calhoun.

Councilwoman Mosby: Second.

**President Adams**: We have a motion and a second. All those in favor? Opposed. (*Unanimous Ayes*) Great, Josh is joining us. That's super.

## **Commission on the Social Status of African American Males**

1) Appointee: Josh Calhoun 2 years 01/01/15 - 12/31/16

## **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS Continued**

Amy Canterbury, Executive Director, American Red Cross Southern Indiana Chapter: <u>Home Fire Preparedness Presentation</u>

**President Adams**: Okay, is Ms. Canterbury here? We're very luck tonight to hear a dear old friend of mine, Amy Canterbury, come to talk to us about home fire preparedness and she's very kind to join us.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: (Off Mic) Thanks.

President Adams: Good to see you again.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: (Off Mic) May I approach?

**President Adams**: Please. This is not a bench, I promise you.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: (Off Mic) (Inaudible)

**President Adams**: Yes Stan?

**Council Appointment to APC Wheeler**: What was Josh appointed to?

President Adams: I apologize. The Social Status of the African American Male.

**Council Appointment to APC Wheeler**: Okay.

**President Adams**: Everybody else up here knew that but you're right. It would be nice to have it in the notes, wouldn't it?

Council Appointment to APC Wheeler: Yeah, it would.

President Adams: Okay.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: Thank you very much and thank you all for allowing me to come speak to the City Council. I really appreciate it.

What I wanted to share with you is the American Red Cross, nationwide, has launched a Home Fire Preparedness campaign and I think it's something that speaks to the tone of what the American Red Cross stands for and that is, the goal, is to reduce deaths and injuries by 25% over the previous five years and we began this last fall. I can tell you the whole attitude here in doing the reduction of deaths and injuries by fire is as a result of not providing smoke alarms but installing them and I think that's a huge caveat to what we've seen in the past and of a lot of campaigns that we've tried to work through so I want to just kind of bring that to your attention, and then secondly, we will also be installing or replacing batteries in this campaign.

So what I put before you is a little bit of the statistics. You've got a lot of information and I didn't want to bore with that but I will give you some nationwide statistics which I think speak pretty loudly to this campaign.

Only 4% of homes do not have smoke alarms but another 19% do not work. Of those 23%, nationwide, that do not work or there aren't any, is a result of 70% of the deaths and injuries and there's a little...you do have the chart to reflect that on your second page. So I think that is what is the most important. So the folks that do not have a smoke alarm are not alerted and if you do have one you still only have two minutes to get out of your home, so that's two minutes lost that might not save these individuals. So I just want to share that importance with you and then also to share the stats that five out twenty of the top ten, excuse me, of the top twenty zip codes in the State of Indiana were the highest injuries and deaths. That's 47714, 47711, 47710, 47713, and 47712 respectively so it's something that's pretty important, I think, to this Council and to be aware of

We have partnered and collaborated with the Fire Department and the captain is here with us today just in case. I will tell you we did hit some of the neighborhoods in 47714 in the fall as tests with a group of collaborative folks and volunteers just to see how this would work before we went very public with it, if you will. But we did canvas 1,024 homes with volunteers in these communities.

We provided education to 328 families, and that education is in your packet. It is what to do to avoid a fire. It is what is your escape plan that you should practice with your family and that escape plan is on a dry erase board that is either in English or Spanish. (*Inaudible*) a placement of a...it can be placed on the refrigerator with a magnet.

And then furthermore we have the preparedness mobile apps that are available which can consist of home fire protection, tornado, earthquake, you name it. There's several more...pet first aid even, that is available.

And then lastly we do provide this community with information on what to do during a tornado which is another part of what we're making sure folks know what to do.

So again, I wanted to bring that to you all. It is a five-year campaign. We will be taking this nationwide. We go to the top 20 zip codes by state first, five of those being right here in Evansville, and we will expand this throughout the country and throughout all communities with the help of volunteers. And so I can use that plug and also, again, it does require donations and help from all the communities to make this happen.

So I wanted to let you know what something good going on in Evansville and thank you for your help and support.

President Adams: Any questions?

Speaking Simultaneously

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: Questions?

**President Adams**: Well certainly the Red Cross is so much more than a blood bank. Isn't that really fantastic?

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: Yes.

President Adams: Have you tapped into the USI, U of E, and high school service clubs?

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: You know we have and we're working with them. We have a group of nurses who do some of training for preparedness into the nursery schools and such and so we're working with nursing curriculums and many of the fraternities and the sororities. We have actually the nurse...the development of nursing from both universities on our board.

President Adams: Terrific.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: And since we just sprang forward, is that supposed to be a time when we're check our smoke alarms?

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: It is and we had a press release for that this weekend that unfortunately didn't get much credit from the Red Cross but I will tell you, because of this campaign, and you'll see that we were trying to do that throughout the month of March, as Red Cross month, the weather was not kind so we did not start on February 28, nor last weekend, and we've postponed so I think we'll get a little coverage and media around this canvassing once we're actually working through the neighborhoods in our Red Cross vests with, you know...

**President Adams**: That was one of the reasons I wanted her to come tonight.

Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury: Tens of people. That's right.

**President Adams**: Right.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: But it is true and it's perfect, it's the perfect timing to talk about springing forward is when we do, really as a country, talk about what to do and be prepared and make sure we're checking those smoke alarms.

What I didn't know, and I don't know that a lot of people do, there is an expiration date on all smoke alarms and I didn't know that so many have a life of three, five, or ten and the ones that we are putting in have a ten-year life and there's no battery to replace so you can still make sure it's working but you don't have to worry about changing the battery.

**President Adams**: Cool. Any other comments? Any comments from our crowd tonight? Thank you so much Amy for coming.

Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury: Thank you.

President Adams: Good to see you again.

**Red Cross Executive Director Canterbury**: All right, you too.

President Adams: Committee Reports; Finance Committee. Chairman O'Daniel.

Councilman O'Daniel: One moment.

**Councilwoman Robinson**: *(Off Mic) (Inaudible)*...is there any other Miscellaneous Business.

Councilman O'Daniel: Yeah.

President Adams: You're right, I did. It's always up for grabs, isn't it?

**Councilman O'Daniel**: If I could ask...if I could ask Russ to come forward. I know we just got the annual report and I was just looking through it and I just...just for when I start going through this line by line, I just want to make sure I understand it.

Page 34 is the total revenues that we had for the General Fund, correct? And that was \$78,485,000 so roughly 78.5 million.

City Controller Lloyd: Yes.

**City Councilman O'Daniel**: And what were, can you help me, what were we kind of looking for as a ballpark number on there? I mean the proposal...the budget showed 89 but we knew that...

City Controller Lloyd: Correct.

Councilman O'Daniel:...was going to be...

City Controller Lloyd: About 90.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Were we looking somewhere in the 81 range or 80?

**City Controller Lloyd**: Yeah, I'd say about 80.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: So we're short a million and a half anyway out of that. And then 121 is the...

City Controller Lloyd: (Off Mic) I don't have that.

**Councilman O'Daniel**:...is the revenue, or the expenditures, and it looks to me like it was roughly \$79,500,000 on that but I guess what I'm more concerned about is under encumbrances, there's about 5.1 million of encumbrances that were not paid so wouldn't that really be about 84.5 million that we spent? I mean if we owe it we didn't pay it. That's...

**City Controller Lloyd**: Right, I mean an encumbrance could be a purchase order that's cancelled or it's out there as a record of something to be paid.

Councilman O'Daniel: To pay.

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah.

Councilman O'Daniel: Five million seems like a lot of money there.

City Controller Lloyd: I think a...

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Historically that's only been about a million, hasn't it?

**City Controller Lloyd**: Yeah, there's a part of that I believe is the health insurance than was paid in January that was like a health insurance billing.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay, because I notice that was about 3.5 million of that...

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah, yes.

**Councilman O'Daniel**:...through police and fire and the like. I mean had we paid that our General Fund would be upside down quite a bit, wouldn't it, rather that the positive had we paid our bills on time?

**City Controller Lloyd**: Yeah, three million...well...yeah, that was the end of the year and we carried that in to January.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Okay, well where do we stand today as far as the cash bal...well, where's the General...because we don't have January's yet but...

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

**Councilman O'Daniel**:...through February, or at least preliminary, where are we at as far as the General Fund? Is that negative what?

City Controller Lloyd: About eight million.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Eight million through January?

**City Controller Lloyd**: Yes.

Councilman O'Daniel: Do you know what it is through February yet?

**City Controller Lloyd**: No.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: Okay. Any other questions?

**President Adams**: Okay, any other comments?

**Councilwoman Brinkerhoff-Riley**: I just have one. I missed your initial page number. Was there some...a page you pointed to?

**Councilman O'Daniel**: The revenue...the revenue's Page 34 and the expenditures are 121.

City Controller Lloyd: That's the end of the detailed list.

Councilman O'Daniel: Yeah, and...

City Controller Lloyd: Yeah.

**Councilman O'Daniel**: That's a compilation of all of the funds.

City Controller Lloyd: Right.

Councilman O'Daniel: Okay.

City Controller Lloyd: All right, thank you.

Councilman O'Daniel: Thank you.

**President Adams**: Okay, is there anyone in the crowd that would like to discuss anything that comes to mind? Yes sir. Reverend Brooks, would you join us?

**Reverend Adrian Brooks**: Good even members of the City Council, I just wanted to say thank you for continuing support and thank you for also coming to our ribbon cuttings and ground breakings in the snow and ice and...it's pretty cold out there but thank you and for those who couldn't make it because you were out of town with your parents, that's a good thing; got to take care of parents, and so I just want to say thank you to all of you for your continuing support. Have a nice evening.

**President Adams**: Thank you Reverend.

Any other comments? Anything comes to mind from our visitors tonight?

Okay, Committee Reports; Finance Committee. I think it's okay to start that now, don't you? Chairman O'Daniel.

## **COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 30, 2015**

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Re: **Ordinance F-2015-3** 

Time: 5:10 p.m. Notify: Russ Lloyd, Jr.

**Re: Ordinance G-2015-6** 

Time: 5:20 p.m.

Notify: Ted Ziemer

## FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE: YOUTH SPORTS GRANTS

Re: Youth Sports Grants **Date:** March 16, 2015

Time: 4:00 p.m. Notify: All Applicants

#### **CHAIRMAN CONOR 'ODANIEL**

Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations, Additional Appropriations and Repeal and

Re-Appropriation of Funds for Various City Funds

Amending Chapter 2.10 (Required Filing of Fiscal Impact Statement) of the Evansville

Municipal Code

## **CHAIRMAN AL LINDSEY**

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### **CHAIRMAN AL LINDSEY**

Ordinance G-2015-7

Time:

Notify: Ted Ziemer

5:25 p.m.

Permit Imposition of Debt Service Surcharge on Former Customers of Old State Utility

President Adams: Laura, would you remind...would you remind all the people the

Youth Sports Grant that is...

City Clerk Windhorst: Yes, they got a letter...we sent out a letter in the mail today and

we also send them all an email.

President Adams: Great, thank you.

**City Clerk Windhorst**: Uh-hm.

#### A.S.D. COMMITTEE

#### **CHAIRWOMAN STEPHANIE BRINKERHOFF-RILEY**

No meetings scheduled at this time

**President Adams**: Super. Anything else you want to talk about? Great.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

President Adams: I'll entertain a motion...

**Councilwoman Robinson**: Motion for adjournment.

Councilwoman Mosby: Second.

**President Adams**: Great. All those in favor? Thank you Stan.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Laura Windhorst, City Clerk

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